THURSDAY, January 20, 1870.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hildt.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Biggs, Browne, Carroll, Denson, Earle, Fields, Henkle, Hyland, Jump, Maddox, Malone, Miller, Sellman, Snyder, Stephenson, Timmons, Welch, Wilson—19.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Malone presented the petition of George W. Robinson, on behalf of the citizens of Wicomico county, asking for an amendment to the Oyster law, so as to further protect oysters in said county.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries.

Mr Hyland presented the petition of Noah Webster, of Somerset county, praying the repayment of money erroneously paid on account of the draft.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following message:

By the House of Delegates, January 20, 1870.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

In accordance with the arrangement entered into by the two Houses, and in compliance with the law in such case made and provided, we are now ready to proceed to an election of Police Commissioners for Baltimore city, and respectfully solicit the presence of your Honorable Body in this Chamber.

We have nominated on the part of the House Messrs. Lefevre Jarrett, James E. Carr, W. H. B. Fusselbaugh, and W. H. Neilson.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk.

Which was read.

Mr. Snyder submitted the following message:

By THE SENATE, January 18, 1870.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message inviting us into the Chamber of your House, for the purpose of proceeding to the election